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Free permission for the penning of cows in Bukkapatnam range.

* 870 Q.—SRI T. LAKSHMINARAYANA REDDI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state whether the Government have any proposal to give free permission for the penning of cows in Bukkapatnam range?

THE HON. DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA :—" No, Sir."

Offences relating to animal sacrifices.

* 871 Q.—SRI P. S. NALLA GOUNDER : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) how many offences of animal sacrifice have been committed this year in temples;

(b) how many of them have been punished in courts;

(c) whether such offences are increasing; and

(d) whether active steps are being taken to enforce the law in this regard?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (a) The number of offences committed under the Madras Animals and Birds Sacrifices Prohibition Act, 1950, was 2 in 1952, and 7 during the period January to March 1953.

" (b) One case of 1952 ended in conviction. All the 7 cases of 1953 are pending.

" (c) Not appreciably.

" (d) Yes, Sir."

Compensation to U. V. Narayana Marar injured in Salem Jail.

* 872 Q.—SRI V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Law be pleased to state whether the Government have received any representations on behalf of one U. V. Narayana Marar for grant of some solatium or compensation in view of his being incapaciated at the Salem Jail shooting when he was an inmate of the said jail?

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAIR :—" The answer is in the negative."

Lease of some lands belonging to Sri Ekanthalingaswami temple, Thirumalapuram, Tirunelveli.

* 873 Q.—SRI M. G. SHANKER : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments be pleased to state—

(a) whether the lease of certain landed properties of Sri Ekanthalingaswami temple at Thirumalapuram, Tirunelveli district, was stayed by the Government;